

MINUTES OF THE HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, February 14, 2007

Meeting Held at the
City Hall Annex
City Council Chambers
Public Level
900 Bagby Street
3:00 PM

An audio-tape of the full proceedings is on file
at the Planning and Development Department

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Madame Chair, Mrs. Betty Chapman, with a quorum present. The following Commission members noted with "P" were present during all or portions of the meeting and the members noted with "A" were absent.

Betty Chapman, Madame Chair	P
Phoebe Tudor, Vice Chair	P
J. D. Bartell	P
Sharie Beale	P
Faye Bryant	P
Paul Fruge Jr.	P
Rafael Longoria	P
Dr. Roger G. Moore	P
C. K. Pang	A
Dr. Suraiya Saleem	P
Scott Slaney	P

APPROVAL OF THE January 24, 2006 HOUSTON ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Mrs. Tudor, to approve the January 24, 2007, Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no report from the Chair

There was no Director's Report.

I. CONSIDERATION OF CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS APPLICATIONS:

a. 1134 Jerome Street – Norhill Historic District – (Relocation – historic house into historic district)

Motion was made by Mrs. Beale, seconded by Dr. Saleem, to accept staff's recommendation to approve item 1a. Motion carried unanimously.

b. 4027 Michaux Street – Norhill Historic District – (Demolition - Garage)

Motion was made by Mrs. Bryant, seconded by Mrs. Beale, to accept staff's recommendation to approve item Ib. Motion carried unanimously.

c. 4027 Michaux Street – Norhill Historic District – (New construction - Garage)

Motion was made by Dr. Moore, seconded by Dr. Saleem, to accept staff's recommendation to approve item Ic. Motion carried unanimously.

II. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK AND PROTECTED LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATIONS INITIATED BY THE OWNER FOR:

a. THE WALTER W. AND CASSIE HENDERSON HOUSE AT 2216 KANE STREET.

Madame Chair opened up the public hearing and closed the public hearing as there were no speakers to this item.

Motion was made by Mr. Bartell, seconded by Mrs. Bryant, to accept staff's recommendation that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend landmark and protected landmark designation to the Houston Planning Commission for item IIa. Motion carried unanimously.

b. THE JOHN E. AND FLORIDA BISHOP HOUSE AT 110 AVONDALE STREET

The application was withdrawn by the owner and will be resubmitted at a later date. No action was taken by the HAHC.

III. PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF LANDMARK DESIGNATION APPLICATION INITIATED BY THE OWNER FOR THE COX-EWING HOUSE AT 1508 KIRBY DRIVE

Madame Chair opened up the public hearing and closed the public hearing after Mr. John Kirby Ewing, the owner, spoke in favor of the designation.

Motion was made by Mrs. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Fruge, to accept staff's recommendation that the Houston Archaeological and Historical Commission recommend landmark and protected landmark designation to the Houston Planning Commission for item III. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC AND HAHC

Dr. Roger Moore mentioned the proposed sale of land on Buffalo Bayou near the San Jacinto Battlefield by the Coastal Water Authority (CWA) and suggested that the HAHC consider sending a letter to CWA regarding this matter which he would present to the HAHC at their next meeting.

Mrs. Jill Jewett announced that the Quality of Life Committee of City Council would hear a presentation by her regarding the proposed Amendments to the Historic Preservation Ordinance and Tax Exemption Ordinance on Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

Council Member Sue Lovell made comments about the Amendments to the Historic Preservation Ordinance and Tax Exemption Ordinance to be discussed at the Quality of Life Committee of City Council on Tuesday, February 20, 2007.

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to bring before the commission, Madame Chair, Mrs. Betty Chapman adjourned the meeting at 3:36 p.m.

Betty Trapp Chapman
Madame Chair

Marlene L. Gafrick
Executive Secretary